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EMBASSY WELCOMES VISIT BY MEMBERS OF US ADVISORY COMMISSION BUT WISHES TO POINT OUT THAT ASIDE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL VISITORS AND THE MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECTS THERE IS NO EXCHANGE PROGRAM UNDERWAY NOR ARE ANY CONTEMPLATED IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THERE WILL NOT BE A UNIVERSITY IN THE UAE UNTIL THE FALL OF 1977; HOWEVER, THE COMMISSION MEMBERS MAY WISH TO INTRODUCE FUTURE EXCHANGE POSSIBILITIES WITH MINISTRY OF EDUCATION OFFCIALS AT THIS TIME.

AS THE UAE IS RICH OIL-PRODUCING COUNTRY, THE GOVERN-MENT FUNDS MOST HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES IN STUDY ABROAD AND THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DOES SEEK EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN COUNSELING AND WITH PLACEMENT PROCEDURES. MOST ARAB AND WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ACCREDITED TO THE UAE HAVE
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SIMILAR VIP VISITOR PROGRAMES, AND THE BRITISH COUNCIL

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OFFERS COUNSELING AND PLACEMENT SERVICES FOR UAR BURSARY STUDENTS GOINT TO THE UK. THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND OFFERS AN EXTENSION PROGRAM IN THE EMIRATE OF SHARJAH BUT ATTENDANCE IS PREDOMINANTLY EX-PATRIATE.

IN VIEW OF PRESENT LACK OF ACADEMIC AND CULTURAL ACTIVITY IN THE UAE, THE EMBASSY BELIEVES THE COMMISSION MEMBERS WOULD FIND LIMITED ADVANTAGE TO UAE VISIT; HOWEVER, EMBASSY WOULD BE HAIPY TO ASSIST IN ANY EXPLORATORY DISC-USSIONS AND FACILITATE VISIT.

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